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DECLARATION OF PAUL J. ARDI UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

1. My name is Paul J. Ardi. I am currently employed by Cell Marque Corporation, having its principal place of business at 100 Greenwood Avenue, Suite B, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71913. I have been employed by Cell Marque Corporation for the past six years and, during that time, have held the title of vice-president.

2. I have personal, first-hand knowledge of the facts stated herein.

3. I am a co-inventor of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/056,511, entitled "Chemical Dispensing System and Method", having a filing date of January 31, 2002.

4. A bona fide attempt was made to present a copy of the application papers for Patent Application Serial No. 10/056,511, including specification, claims, drawings, and an Oath/Declaration, to Mr. Kim Franceschini at his last known address. Specifically, on April 19,

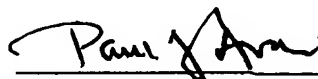
2002, a cover letter (attached as Exhibit "A"), dated April 16, 2002, requesting Mr. Franceschini's signature upon the Oath/Declaration and the application papers were hand delivered to Mr. Franceschini's last known address of 16046 Fontaine Avenue, Austin, Texas 78734. A copy of the delivery invoice (attached as Exhibit "B") is provided as evidence of said delivery on April 19, 2002.

5. On the day of delivery, April 19, 2002, I received a telephone call at my office from Mr. Franceschini. During our telephone conference, Mr. Franceschini indicated to me that he was refusing to sign the Oath/Declaration and indicated that he would be willing to sign if, and only if, Cell Marque Corporation provided him with a check, payable to Mr. Franceschini, in the amount of \$2000.00. I chose not to argue with Mr. Franceschini and instead, contacted legal counsel for advice as to how to proceed.

#### DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Paul J. Ardi

Title: Vice-President

Date: May 29, 2002

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